MR. S. KRISHNA AIYAR : Then I withdraw my motion.

The motion was, by leave, withdrawn.

The question is that the Government be granted a sum not exceeding Rs. 3·69 lakhs under Demand XXIII—Anchal Department.

The motion was carried and the grant made.

Demand XXIV—Miscellaneous.

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI: Sir, I beg to move for the vote of the House in respect of a grant not exceeding ·38 lakh under XXIV—Miscellaneous.

***Motion* 176.**

MR. A. GOVINDA MENON : I beg to move the following motion:

176. To omit the allotment of Rs. 28,700 for grants to Municipalities.

My object in bringing forward this motion is to ascertain what exactly is the principle or policy on which grants to the several municipalities are made. I find that this year some municipalities are given nothing, while others are treated to various sums. I also find that the sums now allotted are different from those given last year. In any case, the sums proposed are less than those given last year.

PRESIDENT : I do not think that you can discuss the general policy when you move for the deletion of the whole item, so far as municipal grants are concerned. You must give reasons for proposing to omit the whole item.

MR. A. GOVINDA MENON: So far as I know, there is no rule to that effect.

MR. V. SUBBA AIYAR: Supposing the Government accept this motion, the result will be that the whole amount will be cut down. I do not know whether the other municipalities will agree to it. That is the reason why this motion should not be utilised for a general discussion of municipal policy.

MR. A. GOVINDA MENON: I have brought forward this motion simply to discuss the general policy.

PRESIDENT: You should have proposed a small reduction and then discussed the policy in this case.

MR. A. GOVINDA MENON : If I am permitted, I shall move for a reduction of Rs. 100.

PRESIDENT : At this stage, I cannot allow it.

MR. A. GOVINDA MENON: There is no rule to the effect that, unless I move for a reduction of the grant, I cannot discuss questions of policy.

PRESIDENT: The item proposd to be omited is the entire grant to municipalities, and in regard to it, that is my ruling.

MR. A. GOVINDA MENON : Then I cannot but submit to it.

PRESIDENT: Then I suppose you withdraw the motion.

LIBRARY ARCHIVES Kerala Legislative Assembly

[Mr. K. Anantanarayana Aiyar.]

MR. A. GOVINDA MENON: Yes, Sir, I beg to withdraw the motion.

The motion was, by leave, withdrawn.

The Demand under XXIV—Miscellaneous—for '38 lakh was then put to the House and carried and the grant made.

Demand XXV—Reserve with Government.

MR. K. GEORGE: Sir, I move for a grant not exceeding Rs. 35 lakh under Demand XXV—Reserve with the Government, Miscellaneous.

The President put the demand to the vote of the House and it was carried and the grant made.

Demand XXVI—Loans.

MR. K. ANANTANARAYANA AIYAR: Sir, I beg to move for a grant not exceeding one lakh under Demand XXVI—Loan—Agricultural loans.

The demand was put to the vote of the House by the President and it was carried and the grant made.

SUPPLEMENTARY DEMANDS.

Demand XXVII—Taxes on income.

MR. K. ANANTANARAYANA AIYAR: Sir, I beg to move for a supplementary grant of Rs. 700 under Demand II—taxes on income. The House disapproved the continuance of the Income-tax Inspectors in 1098 and has cut off the whole amount applied for under that item. But it is necessary that the Income-tax Inspectors' work for Karkadakam, 1097, should be paid for. The House must have at least made provision for disbursing the pay of the Inspectors for Karkadakam, 1097, and it is to meet such payment that this supplementary Demand is made. I need hardly bring to the notice of the Council that income-tax work will be seriously affected and that the collection of income-tax will be hampered, if there is no Income-tax Inspector. This is a matter for the consideration of the Council. Probably, it will come up before the House, in another form, for another grant, later on.

MR. T. K. VELU PILLAI: The member is not in order. He may be quite in order, so far as the pay for Karkadakam is concerned, but, regarding the other observation, *i. e.*, about the proposal to be brought forward in future, he is not in order.

PRESIDENT: He only makes a remark.

MR. T. K. VELU PILLAI: That is a thing to be considered only when the actual proposal is made. He was referring to the necessity of bringing fresh proposals.

PRESIDENT: It is not intended to be considered just now.

MR. K. ANANTANARAYANA AIYAR: I do not urge it for the consideration of the Council just now. I only say that the matter will be brought to the notice of the Council in due course.

LIBRARY ARCHIVES Kerala Legislative Assembly